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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on January 19, 2010, which was made final, and the Advisory Action mailed on March 25, 2010, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks presented below. Please amend the application indicated herein. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments are proper as they place the application in better condition for appeal.

The period for response has been extended to May 19, 2010, by the Petition for One Month Extension of Time and required fee submitted herewith. Please charge any fees required for entry of this response, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 13-3080.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.